

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

2. At page 4, line 29, after "SG 809 A", kindly insert -available commercially from Quest International Corporation--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice amended) A freshening cosmetic composition comprising from about 0.01% to about 2% by weight menthol and from about 0.1% to about 10% by weight menthyl lactate, the menthol/menthyl lactate ratio lying in the range from about 1/3 to about 1/10, and being such that the odor of the menthol is barely perceptible, said composition not being irritating [, in particular for] to [the] sensitive parts of [the] human skin [body].
4. (Twice Amended) A composition according to claim 1, further comprising [at least one] a fragrance [in particular the] comprising ["glacier SG 809A"] [fragrance], at a concentration lying in the range from about 0.5% to about 5% by weight of the composition.

Kindly add the following claims:

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21. A freshening cosmetic composition consisting essentially of from about 0.01% to about 2% by weight menthol and from about 0.1% to about 10% by weight menthyl lactate, the menthol/menthyl lactate ratio lying in the range from about 1/3 to about 1/10, and being such that the odor of the menthol is barely perceptible, said composition not being irritating, in particular for the sensitive parts of the human body.
22. A composition according to claim 21, wherein said menthol/menthyl lactate ratio lies in the range from about 1/6 to about 1/4.
23. A composition according to claim 21 wherein said composition comprises from about 0.01% to about 0.5% by weight of menthol and from about 0.25% to about 1% by weight of menthyl lactate.

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24. A composition according to claim 21 further comprising at least one fragrance, in particular the "glacier SG 809A" fragrance, at a concentration lying in the range from about 0.5% to about 5% by weight.
25. A composition according to claim 24, said composition further comprising at least one surface active agent selected from anionic surface active agents, at a concentration [from about 1% to about 10% by weight.
26. A composition according to claim 25, said composition further comprising at least one thickening agent selected from the group consisting of xanthan gums and carbomers at a concentration from about 0.2% to about 10% by weight.